

The Democrats of Iron County will meet in mass convention at the courthouse in Ironton, on
SATURDAY, MAY 12, 1888,
at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of selecting three delegates to the State Convention at Sedalia. The Sedalia Convention will meet on the 17th of May, to select delegates to the National Convention, which will assemble at St. Louis June 5th. E. D. AKE, Secy. Chas. Co. Ex. Com.

The Ratchford Convention.
The Union Labor Convention at this place on the 17th was not as harmonious as its political progenitors and well-wishers had hoped it might be. There were about twenty-three delegates present, representing various Alliances and Assemblies—the largest delegations being from St. Louis and St. Francois county. They met early in the afternoon, and on permanent organization M. J. Smith, of Libertyville Alliance, St. Francois county, was chosen chairman and John W. Frazier, K. of L. Knoblick, was chosen secretary. A committee on platform was appointed, and, after due deliberation, reported a platform, the first plank of which intimated M. J. Ratchford for Congress, the second declared in favor of woman suffrage and the third declared that all soldiers and sailors should be pensioned, and that the government should pay them the difference in the value of the paper money with which they were paid and the value of gold at that time. In discussing the adoption of the platform some lively scenes were enacted which plainly showed that the delegates were not of one opinion as to the policies and purposes of their organizations, and they were not destined to co-operate in matters of legislation. The discussion of the planks referred to above served only to widen the chasm which separated them, when finally Mr. Ratchford appeared on the scene and in that dramatic air, which most becomes him, undertook to quell the tempest, but in an unguarded moment cast some personal reflections on certain delegates from St. Francois county to which they retorted in very uncomplimentary language to Mr. Ratchford. At this juncture the convention was converted into a raging tumult, in which all took an active part. One delegate seized an American flag that happened to be at hand and swore he would smash it over somebody's head.

Ratchford again appeared and assailed Mr. Frazier, telling him he was not worthy to be a K. of L., to which Mr. F. retorted, calling him (Ratchford) a hoodlum from the slums of St. Louis. Here some one suggested an adjournment and the chairman very considerably declared the convention adjourned for one hour. After considerable buttonholing and scheming by the Ratchford delegates, at about 7:30 P. M. the convention reassembled, and on calling the roll were all found present, except a delegate from Washington county, who had gone out swearing he was a Democrat and didn't care who knew it, and that he didn't propose to support Mike Ratchford nor sit in a convention that would nominate him. Immediately after the roll call some one moved that the convention go into secret session, to which several members interposed objections, saying: "Let us not be ashamed to transact our business before men, for if our labors will not bear inspection then our cause is not worth advocating." The motion was withdrawn and on motion, as per previous arrangements, it was unanimously agreed to strike out two planks of the platform, the one relating to woman suffrage and the one relating to the pensioning of soldiers and sailors. These two planks seemed to have been the bone of contention in the early evening session, the discussion of which led to the accusation that the St. Francois county delegates had been sent for the purpose of breaking up the convention and to prevent the nomination of a candidate for Congress. At this juncture a delegate from St. Louis took the floor and made a pitiful plea for harmony, reading a resolution that had been adopted in the temporary organization, but it did not work, for the delegates who had been assailed came into the convention only after long persuasion and with the understanding that there would be no nomination for Congress proposed, but that the convention would only select delegates to the Sedalia convention. This was stated in open convention and was never denied, yet the St. Louis delegates insisted that they must carry out in full the call which had convened them. Here followed another lively discussion, in which everybody took part promiscuously and without regard to parliamentary rules or common etiquette, but when some one proposed Ratchford's name for Congress this was entirely too much for the F. A., and with a long and strong pull all together they withdrew from the convention declaring that they never would support such a man as Ratchford and that they would use their influence against him to the last day before the election, and they would return to their homes and alliances as Democrats and soldiers in the Democratic army. Two of the dissenting delegates, N. Johnson, K.

of L., and the chairman, did not leave the convention, but voted straight against every move toward the nomination of a candidate for Congress. The St. Louis delegation, with the two who did not bolt, proceeded to nominate Ratchford and appoint delegates to Sedalia, the chairman all the time dissenting and warning them that defeat stared them in the face and that their hasty action made the election of a Democrat inevitable.

Truth, like murder, will out, and the cold fact of the matter is simply this, most of the delegates from the various alliances, and some of the K. of L., are true, tried and life-long Democrats, who went into these organizations to better their conditions socially, and not for political purposes, and when they saw that this convention was a premeditated, cut-and-dried arrangement to nominate Mike Ratchford for Congress, with no other object in view than to prevent the election of a Democrat in this district, their Democratic blood fairly boiled and they were determined not to be a party to the proceedings. This was made all the more apparent by the presence of a number of prominent local Republicans and the side remarks they were making. One rather prominent (not to say notorious) Republican was heard to say, "Why, I don't see what the matter with those fellows, they don't seem to understand each other; they have no leaders; why there is really no difference between them. I could get up there and explain that away in a few minutes to their entire satisfaction," and here he thought himself and remarked, "but I am an outsider." Another said, "Why, go on and transact your business, there is no use of your falling out over trifles, for it is only a misunderstanding. Go on and make your nomination." Thus they were urged on from time to time by the very men who have no earthly use for them, their principles or organization, except in so far as they can use them and it to accomplish the defeat of the Democratic party in the Tenth Congressional District, and who, were the conditions reversed, would be playing quite another role in the campaign they have so zealously assisted to inaugurate.

The tariff is a question that should interest every producer and consumer, and at this time the producer has become the consumer of that which he puts on the markets. To illustrate: The man who has a few sheep does not manufacture the wool grown on his sheep into clothing, but he sells it to the manufacturer and he works it into clothing, blankets, etc. Now the tariff taxes the wool in its crude state and causes the farmer to receive a little higher price for it than he would were there no tariff on it. Now, if the farmer could stop trading in that staple just at this point he would be all right. But he does not. He must have flannels, and woolen goods blankets, and these he must buy from the merchant, the merchant from the manufacturer; and now the trick shows up: The farmer pays out the value of that piece, 1st, the machine, then the worth of the goods, and then he must pay the tariff in addition. Now from whose pocket does this tariff come? Who pays it in the long run? Then who gets the money? Is Government any richer? No. Is the laborer who works in the shops? No. Who, then? It is the monopoly.

ONLY ONE FLAG.

The Stirling Poem Sent by Marshal Emerson to Mayor Hewitt of New York.

United States Marshal Emerson of the Eastern District of Missouri inscribed and sent to Mayor Hewitt of New York, a few days ago, the following poem, inspired by the Mayor's refusal to allow a foreign flag to be hoisted over the City Hall of that city on St. Patrick's Day, last:

I.
Shall another flag o'er this Union wave?
Hath another flag aught power to save?
Nay, nay! Then silence, feud, clique and clan,
Only under our flag can you be a man:
Emblem of freedom, ensign of might,
Beautiful flag, protector of right.

CHORUS:
Only one flag o'er the land of the free,
Only one flag over you and me:
The starry flag! the red, white and blue!
Down with the old and up with the new:
Starry flag! Alone may it wave
O'er the land of the free and home of the brave.

II.
No room in city, on plain or crag,
For another emblem or another flag:
Silence! Ye factions, ye clique and clan!
Only one flag for each boy and man!
All hail the flag, in the morning light!
Beneath its stars there can be no night.

CHORUS:
Only one flag o'er the land of the free,
Only one flag over you and me:
The starry flag! the red, white and blue!
Down with the old and up with the new:
Starry flag! Alone may it wave
O'er the land of the free and home of the brave.

III.
In farthest South, West, north and East,
On the starry flag all eyes shall feast!
Gottlieb, ye factions, go tell the story!
No other flag shall share its glory.
God bless our flag, with its azure blue—
Our liberty, laws and freedom true.

CHORUS:
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Only one flag over you and me:
The starry flag! the red, white and blue!
Down with the old and up with the new:
Starry flag! Alone may it wave
O'er the land of the free and home of the brave.

Personal.

Al. Roser is in town.
Harry Jones has gone to Colorado.
Marshal Emerson was home Saturday and Sunday.
Knox Ryan left last week for Willets Point, Va.
Geo. Marks came down from St. Louis Monday.
Mrs. A. Roehy returned home Saturday from the city.
Murray Spencer, representing P. Peckham, is in city.
Jas. Buford, late of Crane Pond, is foreman of the grand jury.
Geo. Nifong was over from Fredericktown last Wednesday.
Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. Bishop Tuttle, and Mrs. Miller, of St. Louis, spent Saturday and Sunday in the Valley.

Call for Republican Congressional Convention for the 10th Congressional District of Missouri.

In accordance with the call issued by the National Committee of the Republican party, the Republican Central Committee of the 10th Congressional District, through its chairman and secretary, hereby issue a call for a delegate convention of the Republicans of the several wards of the city of St. Louis and of the counties comprising the said district to meet at Concordia Turner Hall in the City of St. Louis on

Monday, 14th Day of May, 1888,
at one o'clock P. M., for the purpose of selecting two delegates and two alternates to represent the 10th District in the Republican National Convention to be held in Chicago, June 9th, 1888.

The basis of representation in said convention shall be the same as allotted each ward and county to the State Convention at Sedalia, and the manner of electing shall be the same, and they shall be elected at the same time and place, except that owing to the recent changes in ward and ward boundaries in the City of St. Louis, the following order is made:

The Republican voters of precinct 119 of the 23d ward, formerly of the 9th, are directed to unite with the voters of the present 9th ward and elect four delegates.
The Republican voters of precinct 143 of the 27th ward, formerly of the 23d ward, will meet in mass meeting on May 26th, 1888, at 7 o'clock P. M., at some place near their usual polling place and elect one delegate, making the number of delegates to which said county and the City of St. Louis shall be entitled in said convention as follows:
City of St. Louis..... 3
5th Ward..... 3
7th Ward..... 3
9th Ward, including precinct 119 of the 23d Ward..... 4
11th Ward..... 2
12th Ward..... 2
Precinct 143 of the 27th Ward..... 1
County..... 12
Jefferson..... 6
Washington..... 3
St. Francois..... 3
St. Genevieve..... 3
Iron..... 2
Reynolds..... 1
Madison..... 1
Perry..... 1
Total..... 50

D. M. PARK, Secy. Chairman.
C. W. HEQUEMONT, Clayton, Secy.
St. Louis, April 30, 1888.

WANTED.

Having about completed its new smelting and refining furnaces, the Ste. Genevieve Copper Company is prepared to offer employment to a considerable additional number of miners. First-class men can secure steady, permanent work at wages equal to any paid in the district. Write or apply in person to

STE. GENEVIEVE COPPER CO.,
2142 St. Genevieve, Mo., or at the mines.

STRAYED—From the undersigned, on the 12th inst., a black and white cow, small, marked with a cross on the left ear. Suitable reward will be paid for her return to me.
JNO. NAGEL, Ironton, Mo.

Thoroughbred Poultry.

I have for sale six or eight White Leghorns, cockerels from Michigan Agricultural College Farm, stock of good size, one year old and pretty as pictures. I will also furnish Bronze Turkey eggs, 10 for \$1.50; also, White Leghorns, Light Brahmas, Langshans and Plymouth Rock eggs, at \$1.50 per setting of 13. Satisfaction guaranteed.
Mrs. J. W. DUFF,
Kaoilin, Iron county, Mo.

W. L. Beyersdorff,
LAW & REAL ESTATE OFFICE
CENTREVILLE, MO.
Will practice in State and Federal Courts.

Stray Notice.

Taken by L. C. Raddock, on the 31st day of March, 1888, and posted before the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace within and for Iron Township, Iron County, Mo., Two Three-Year-Old Steers; small. One is a roan, without any marks or brands; the other, a dark brown, with white underbelly, and white bush on tail, and marked with a slit in left ear. The two were duly appraised at the sum of \$22, by Emmett Imboden and Wm. Terrill, sworn appraisers.
E. M. LOGAN, J. P.

Probate Docket.

Iron County, Missouri, May Term, 1888—
Commencing Monday, May 7th, 1888.
Bice, Geo., deceased, Martha Bice, administratrix.
Gay, S. T., deceased, W. T. Gay, administrator.
Gay, S. T. and W. T. (copartnership), W. T. Gay, administrator.
Grandhomme, Jacob, Jr., a minor, Amanda Grandhomme, guardian.
Hall children, minors, Herbert H. Kiddie, guardian.
Haller, Elizabeth, a minor, Pauline C. Haller, guardian.
Haller, W. H. N., a minor, Pauline C. Haller, guardian.
Lay heirs, minors, Belle Lay, guardian.
Merlo, Louis, deceased, J. T. Ake, administrator.
Marsh, Alice H., a minor, M. P. Collins, guardian.
Marsh, Chester C. M. P. Collins, guardian.
Massoy, S. and Rebecca Rubel, minors, John Crowley, curator.
Newall, Robert, deceased, Elizabeth Newall, administratrix.
Reburn, Alexander, minor, J. H. Russell, guardian.
Reburn, Jas. A., minor, Jos. A. Reburn, guardian.
Richter, Henry, Jr., Mrs. F. Richter, guardian.
Rocke, Zoe and Cora, minors, B. Zwart, curator.
FRANZ DINGER,
Judge of Probate.

STATE OF MISSOURI,
COUNTY OF IRON,
To the May Term of the Probate Court, 1888.
In the matter of the guardianship of Nancy Hughes.

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION.

To all persons concerned:
Take notice that the undersigned guardian of the estate and person of Nancy Hughes will, at the May Term of said court, to be held at the courthouse in the City of Ironton, the county seat, on the first day of the May Term of the Probate Court, to wit: May 7th, 1888, apply to said court for leave to resign the office and trust of guardian of said estate and person.
JAMES B. FORD,
Guardian estate and person of Nancy Hughes.
IRONTON, MO., March 31, 1888.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

NOTICE is hereby given that, by virtue of an order of the Probate Court of the County of Iron, and State of Missouri, made at the February term, 1888, thereof, I, Jacob T. Ake, administrator of the estate of Nancy Ferrill, deceased, will, on

Monday, May 7th, 1888,
(if it be not sold before that day at private sale), at the east front door of the courthouse, in the City of Ironton, said county and state, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon, and during the session of said Probate Court, sell at public auction all the right, title and interest of Nancy Ferrill, deceased, in and to the following described real estate, situated in Iron county, Missouri, to wit:

The southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section 11, in township 33, north, of range 4 east—containing 40 acres, more or less.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash in hand.
JACOB T. AKE,
Administrator.

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Our Immense Stock of

Clothing! Clothing!

Selected from some of the largest manufacturers in the East. Our stock of Clothing is bound to please the most careful as well as the most fastidious; and last, but not least, our prices, which we guarantee to be

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is complete in every department.

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Many other things too numerous to mention.

T. S. LOPEZ AND SONS.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue and authority of a special execution issued from the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Iron county, Missouri, and to me, the undersigned sheriff, directed, in favor of the State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of S. E. Buford, collector of the revenue for Iron county, Missouri, plaintiff, and against James Curtis, Thomas King, John B. Baker, and all unknown interested parties, defendants, bearing date March 3, 1888, and returnable to the April term, 1888, thereof, I have levied upon and seized the following described real estate and property, lying and being in Iron county, Missouri, as the property of said defendants, described as follows, to wit:

Northwest quarter of southeast quarter and south half of northeast of section 15, township 34, range one east.

And I will, on

Thursday, 26th Day of April, 1888,

at the east front door of the courthouse in the city of Ironton, Iron county, Missouri, between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, and during the session of the circuit court, sell at public vendue, all the right, title, claim, estate and property of the said defendants, of, in and to the above described real estate and property, for cash in hand, to the highest bidder, to satisfy said execution and costs.

P. W. WHITWORTH, Sheriff.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue and authority of a special execution issued from the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Iron county, Missouri, and to me, the undersigned sheriff, directed, in favor of the State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of S. E. Buford, collector of the revenue for Iron county, Missouri, plaintiff, and against James Curtis, Thomas King, John B. Baker, and all unknown interested parties, defendants, bearing date March 3, 1888, and returnable to the April term, 1888, thereof, I have levied upon and seized the following described real estate and property, lying and being in Iron county, Missouri, as the property of said defendants, described as follows, to wit:

West half of northeast quarter and northwest quarter, section 24, township 35, range two west.

And I will, on

Thursday, 26th Day of April, 1888,

at the east front door of the courthouse in the city of Ironton, Iron county, Missouri, between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, and during the session of the circuit court, sell at public vendue, all the right, title, claim, estate and property of the said defendants, of, in and to the above described real estate and property, for cash in hand, to the highest bidder, to satisfy said execution and costs.

P. W. WHITWORTH, Sheriff.

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North half of the northwest quarter section 22, township 35, range 1 east.

And I will, on

Thursday, 26th day of April, 1888,

at the east front door of the courthouse in the city of Ironton, Iron county, Missouri, between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, and during the session of the circuit court, sell at public vendue, all the right, title, claim, estate and property of said defendants, of, in and to the above described real estate and property, for cash in hand to the highest bidder, to satisfy said execution and costs.

P. W. WHITWORTH, Sheriff.

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By virtue and authority of a special execution issued from the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Iron county, Missouri, and to me, the undersigned sheriff, directed, in favor of the State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of S. E. Buford, collector of the revenue for Iron county, Missouri, plaintiff, and against J. C. Porter, Assignee Peckham Iron Company, and all unknown interested parties, defendants, bearing date March 3, 1888, and returnable to the April term, 1888, thereof, I have levied upon and seized the following described real estate and property, lying and being in Iron county, Missouri, as the property of said defendants, described as follows, to wit:

North half of lots 1 and 2, northwest quarter, section 18, township 31, range four east.

And I will, on

Thursday, 26th Day of April, 1888,

at the east front door of the courthouse in the city of Ironton, Iron county, Missouri, between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, and during the session of the circuit court, sell at public vendue, all the right, title, claim, estate and property of the said defendants, of, in and to the above described real estate and property, for cash in hand, to the highest bidder, to satisfy said execution and costs.

P. W. WHITWORTH, Sheriff.

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By virtue and authority of a special execution issued from the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Iron county, Missouri, and to me, the undersigned sheriff, directed, in favor of the State of Missouri, at the relation and to the use of S. E. Buford, collector of the revenue for Iron county, Missouri, plaintiff, and against C. H. Crocker, John T. Boring, Samuel Roop, and all unknown interested parties, defendants, bearing date March 3, 1888, and returnable to the April term, 1888, thereof, I have levied upon and seized the following described real estate and property, lying and being in Iron county, Missouri, as the property of said defendants, described as follows, to wit:

North half of the northwest quarter, section 29, township 34, range two east.

And I will, on

Thursday, 26th day of April, 1888,

at the east front door of the courthouse in the city of Ironton, Iron county, Missouri, between the hours of 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon of that day, and during the session of the circuit court, sell at public vendue, all the right, title, claim, estate and property of the said defendants, of, in and to the above described real estate and property, for cash in hand to the highest bidder, to satisfy said execution and costs.

P. W. WHITWORTH, Sheriff.

BERNARD ZWART,
Attorney at Law,
(COMMISSIONER U. S. CIRCUIT COURT.)
Ironton, Missouri.
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